

TOWN OF ARLINGTON

MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE PERMANENT TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE AND THE CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2014

Location: Town Hall

Present: Adam Chapdelaine – PTBC Acting Chairman and Town Manager
Allen Reedy
Bill Hayner
John Maher
Suzanne Robinson

Absent: John Cole
Michael Boujoulian
Robert Jefferson
Mark Miano

The Committee convened jointly with the Town's Capital Planning Committee at 5:00 PM.

Allen Reedy and Superintendent of Schools Kathleen Bodie outlined work to date performed by the Stratton School Building Study Committee, including parity considerations. Scot Woodin, a representative of Drummy, Rosanne and Anderson, made a presentation. He briefly outlined the work accomplished at the Stratton School on about half of the building, which included HVAC and window and roof repairs performed in 2011. He discussed the major points contained in a written report dated August 26, 2014, prepared by DRA. These points were outlined on Page 1 of the Executive Summary in that written report. They were essentially in four parts. The first part involved the replacement of windows and HVAC systems in the kindergarten wing, which would complete work in the classroom wing done in 2011. The second part would involve expanding the Library/Media Center. The third part would see an expansion of the Nurse's Suite and the Administrative area, including the conference room and expansion of the kitchen. Lastly, the report sought to identify additional parity issues between the Stratton School and other new and renovated elementary schools in the Town and explore options for updating the Stratton School to align more with these facilities. The aforementioned changes would trigger handicap and fire safety protection improvements.

He discussed four possible phasing options. They primarily differ as to what period of time the improvements would be made. These options were outlined in a handout given to the Committees by DRA as well as the same appears on Pages 3 and 4 of the Executive Summary.

Members of both Committees discussed the various cost considerations and academic concerns as well as safety issues and the impact on the community. There appeared to be a general consensus that options three and four would seem to be the preferable choices. Capital Planning Chairman Fosket requested that the School Department consider these last two options and report back at a future date.

Whereupon, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Maher, Clerk Pro Tem